FIGHT NEAR CLINTON, MISS.

DEFEAT OF THE REBELS.

CINCINNATI, Monday, Feb. 15, 1864. A Nashville dispatch to The Gazette gives the

Sherman entered Jackson, Mississippi, on the th inst. The Robels offered but little resistance, and

on falling back over Pearl River. "It is believed that the Rebels are receiving

morements from Dalton. "There is nothing new from Gen. Thomas's front

"The veteran soldiers are rapidly returning to the

CAIRO, Ill., Monday, Feb. 15, 1864. The reports from Rebel papers of a fight near Cinton, Miss., on the 4th inst., are confirmed by officers but from that point.

Our troops charged the Robel battery, and lost fifteer killed and thirty wounded.

Among the wounded is Col. Rogers of Illinois. The enemy were driven off, and our forces proceeded toward Jackson.

General W. S. Smith's cavalry expedition left Mem on the lith inst. in the direction of Collierville The entire line of the Memphis and Charleston Rail road was evaccated by our forces on the 13th, it having been held for the past six months merely to aid General Smith's Cavalry expedition to get a good start.

Gen. Sherman considers that the holding and gar risoning the road has been a source of weakness to us. Redoes not favor guarding railroads nuless they are of

The steamer Mill Boy was sunk on the 1st inst., eight miles from Jacksonport, on White River. She was laden with Government stores for the troops at Batesville.

## FROM EAST TENNESSEE.

The Rebels Stendily Advancing-A Battle at Hand near Knoxville-Our Lines Narrowing - Prisoners Taken - Rebel Sympathizers Expelled - Tuking the Outh-Negligence in Securing Stores.

KNOXVILLE, E. T., Feb. 1, 1864. My letters for the week past have contained eital of current events, which the reader will scarce- as i by fall to interpret as the foregranner of important mill- and self-sacra Plains, the enemy has stardily advanced his eavkirmishers up to and south of the French two Pand near the camps of the 5th and 65th

# New-York Tribune.

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make a person liable to banishment where no overt act is committed? May a person take the oath of allegiance, even at the eleventh hour, and be saved? Is the act sufficient, or is the scotfee habit to be called in question by the authorities, and the benefit of the oath to be denied to such as are suspected of insincerity? Finally, who is the judge in such cases?

Ten thousand bushels of wheat, at least, could have been collected in the New Market, which was lieft to fall into the hands of Longstreet. Several of the farmers had a two years' crop in their baras, and all of them were extremely anxious to dispose of it to the Union army. They applied to several officers, and offered to self their wheat, and even to make a present of it to the Union forces rather than have it fall into Rebel hands. For instance, Mr. — had four hundred bushels, send many others in the same proportion. General Storgle at one time agreed to send his wagen, but such as the same proportion. General Storgle at one time agreed to send his wagen, but such as a person take the oath of allegic ance, even at the eleventh hour, and be saved? Is the action about 500 of these men, all of whom stand most wouldy in need of an ontift. As they proved the method in the same proportion. General Storgle at one time agreed to send his wagen, but such as a person in the Rebel army will be accounted, and that the army will apple to be an animal case of the march. The right is some time some times over both wheat had been desirated on the same proportion. There are now in the harbor of Charleston about 500 of these men, all of whom stand most would be needed of an ontift. As they proved the method in the case of the substance were sent from balton to the march. The right is some times some time agreed to send his wagens to have a present of the substance of the Rebel and two years of the Nashville Press.

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Jeff. Davis to his Soldiers.

The Richmond papers of the 10th contain the ollowing proclamation of Jeff. Davis to the Rebel

Soldiers of the Armes of the Confederate States: In the long and bloody war in which your country is engaged you have achieved many noble triumphs. You have won glorious victories over vasily more numerous hosts. You have cheerfully borne privations and toil to which you were unused. You have readily submitted to restraints upon your individual will, that the citizen might better perform his duty to the State as a soldier.

of Abolition by pouring what they called Union oil upon them; but instead of being what they swore it was, it over to be Pro-Slavery venom, and the result was a orm that swept this reactionist party out of existence ou will remember how indignantly Mr. Maffit denied y impenchment of his pretended Union-Slavemongering try, but it was all in vain. I had struck the serpent, dd the people dispatched him in last November with venty odd thousand good and sufficient blows. The Administration did not believe, at any time, from ane to November, that the people of Maryland were in all carnest about abolishing Slavery, and restoring to

Part of the eargo was saved.

The beat was valued at \$15,000. She is a total loss.

Owing to the large amount of Government stores for Little Rock, accumulated at Duvall's Blass, the railroads have been prohibited from transporting private 
freight for the present.

General Coolbough, formerly Captain on General 
McPherson's staff, now in the Mexican service, arrived 
here to day as bearer of dispatches to the Juarez Government to Washington.

On the 13th Capt. Madison of the 2d Tennessee Heavy 
Artillery coolored) was shot through the shoulder and 
severely wounded, by a citizen a short distance below 
columbus, Ky.

Six citizens of the vicinity were arrested, and will be 
bed as bestages for the man who did the shooting. 
About 700 bales of cutton were shipped from Memphis on the 12th. The market is dull and drooping. 
Good Middlings 71e.

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Gen. Grigsby's eavalry brigade was relieved on the 7th inst. and sent to Decautr. Go., to recruit. Wheel er's brigade and the Decautr. Go., to recruit. Wheel er's brigade and the Decautr. Go., to recruit. Wheel er's brigade and the Decautr. Go. to recruit. All the Kentucky cavniry have been turned over to John Morgan, wha is now reorganizing his old command at Decautr. Go. It is the general understanding that Morgan will strengt to make a raid through North Alabama. West Tennessee and Kentucky, with about 2,000 troops, as seen as his commend is erganized. The term for which the 2d Kentucky Cavalry chilsted expires on the 17th of April next. Yesterday Gen. Johnston ordered them to results for five years or be conscripted for that time. The 3d Alabama Cavalry was called out to enforce the order, when a fight ensued between the two regiments which resulted in the loss of 3 killed and 5 wounded in the 2d Kentucky regiment, and some 30 killed and woonded in the 2d Kentucky regiment, and some 30 killed and woonded in the 3d Alabama regiment. The ng a total of 78 deserters received at this place during he day. I think the deserters that arrive at this point done will average 40 per day. All of them are poorly dethed and say that they are sick and fired of the

## The Resistance to the Rebel Tyranny in

The Raleigh Progress, in the following article, gives an emphatic warning to the Rebel Government

covn, while pressing the hand of each warm, to recognize his title to our love, grating the people are but the Medition est properties and the people are but the most brilliant election result ever a chieved, perhaps, in this country. Up to the middle of August, the most brilliant election result ever a chieved, perhaps, in this country. Up to the middle of August, the most brilliant election result ever a chieved, perhaps, in this country. Up to the middle of August, the whole people are but the most brilliant election result ever a decided upon mangurating an Abolitionists had not even decided upon mangurating an Abolitionists had not even decided upon mangurating an Abolition campaign. It was the 1st of September. Pass the bill to earnly the whole population reported in the field. With pride and affection is a companied you in every march, with has sought to minister to your every will tome the field, but when they did get into it they routed their opponents at every point a spontaneous ry will come up from every nook and corner of North Carolina for the field and affection is the properties of the most brilliant election result ever a chieved, perhaps, in this country. Up to the middle of August, the most brilliant election result ever, was the hand of each war the Abolition of Slavery by the people themselves, was the Abolition of Slavery by the people themselves, was the Abolition of Slavery by the people themselves, was the Abolition of Slavery by the people themselves, was the Abolition of Slavery by the people themselves, was the Abolition of Slavery by the people themselves, was the Abolition of Slavery by the people themselves, was the Abolition of Slavery by the people themselves, was the Abolition of Slavery by the people themselves, was the Abolition of Slavery by the people themselves, was the Abolition of Slavery by the people of these Confederate Confed

the military shall gag the last man in the State includ-ing the tioverlor, the Legislature, and other State offi-cers, they will lave it.

Mr. Day's has the reputation of a patriot and states-man, and as and we implore him to use his influence to arrest the madness of Congress. Pass the tyramical bill reported by the Military Committee, and the col-lision so long talked of herween North Carolina and the While late. North Carolina cannot and will not submit to They have every able-bodied man conscribed and the whole I and State turned into a military ckmp. We want to achieve an independence over the common enemy, but we are turned monitor, and is sister whole to the winness of the sister will be common enemy. But we are turned monitor, and is sister while to the Winnessare. I had charge of the guns until they were placed on the

showing how the people regard the action of their rulers, and by plainly stating how deeply they deplore the continuance of the warr

Every day convinces us more and more upon the eve of events which are pregnant with the fair of the Confederacy. True, all seems quiet, but it is but the luft that precedes a sterm. Every paper we

PRICE THREE CENTS.

welpame you back. I am glad to see so large an assembliare to arrest you on your return. The Common Council have appropriated \$25,990 to do honor to the returned regiment, and I have no doubt your command will be called upon to there in the honors to be tendered.

After sainting the Mayor and Common Council, the regiment marched up Brondway to the Broadway Garden and partook of a cellation.

HOWELL'S NEW-YORK BATTERY

Arrived in this city yesterday, on a furlough f 35 days, for the purpose of recrulting. This buttery mbraces 80 men, all of whom have regalisted. They roisin at that time of peril.

ARRIVAL OF THE TWENTIETH REGIMENT.

The 20th Regiment New-York State Militia. nder Col. T. B. Gates, arrived in this city on Sunday This regiment was mustered into a

#### KINDNESS TO THE VETERANS.

The Ohio 67th, which regiment has reënlisted n a body, passed through the city from Port Royal on When here the officers were entertained at the Astor House, and also by the managers of the Eric the Astor House, and also by the managers of we have Railway Company, and through Mal. Butler, in command of the regiment desire to return their grateful acknowledgments for these attentions, so timely and so abundant. The 67th was one of the regiments that planted its standard on Wagner on the assault of July 18th, and it stimulates the men to further bravery by receiving kindnesses on its return North. In 30 days it again goes into the field.

## Naval Movements.

OBSEQUIES OF COMMODORE M'CLUNEY. Commodore McCluney was buried yesterday THE REBEL HAM ATLANTA ORDERED TO CHARLES

On Friday last the Rebel ram Atlanta, which was captured by the iron-clad Weehawken some months since, and relitted at the Philadelphia Navy-Yard, left for Charleston. She was accompanied by the double-ender Wyalusing, which vessel, however, having come in collision with another craft, was so seriously injured is compelled to return. She was commanded or formerly attached to one of our iron-clads, a will probably remain under the command

THE IRON-CLAD MAHOPAC TO BE LAUNCHED IN 140th N. Y. Vols.) and myself. A FEW DAYS.

promote of famiched in two weeks. The Mahopae is a sister-slip of the Mahastun and Technich, and like them possesses the immense armor of 10 inches of solid iron. When she is aftent four of the second batch of monitors will have been because

turreted monitor, and is sister-ship to the Winnebago. I had charge of the gine and they expected which was put on trial about two months ago and which sistend. Lient, O'Reurke staked out the ground for the succeeded so admirably. A large number of U. S. N. officers will be present. We understand the Kickapas will be insuched in a few days at the same place. The Chickasaw will be immediately prepared for active the same place. Yours truly, Octyve T. BEASD.

CLAD MONITOR COMANCHE.

The San Francisco Bulletin of June 18, an

nonness the arrivel of a party of professional wreckers and divers from New York. They are there to "wreck" the Aquila, which foundered in the harbor.

of Palegates on Thursday. It having been amended, it will have to go back to the Senate:

Surriox I. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland. That Sections 42 and 43 of Articles 65 of the Code of Public General Laws, relating to negroes, be, and the same are hereby repealed, and that the following sections be enacted as a substitute therefore.

\*\*Space 42. That any persons posses of of any elave or their final and sent, evidence they at least two species of the county where the granter resides, and recorded in the thirty days from the date of add instrument, or by law will and testament exactled to pass personal property and daly addedited the probate, grant to such staye or elaves, his, her, or their freedom, and that a copy of such recorded day attested under the sent of such office where said dead or last will and testament exactled to pass personal property and days added to the probate, grant to such staye or elaves, his, her, or their freedom, and that a copy of such record day attested under the sent of such office where said dead or last will and testament when the greater of the control of such office where said dead or last will and testament exactled to pass personal property and daly added to the probate, grant to such staye or elaves, his, her, or their freedom, and that a copy of such recorded day attention of Washington's Birth-Day; and affected and or the prove such freedom, and that a copy of such freedom, and that the model as will and testament of the war of 1812, asking for a docation to deray the expenses of masic, dinner, &c., in the cell-dene to prove such freedom, and that a copy of such effects will and testament of such office where said dead or last will and testament to be made the war of 1812, asking for a docation to derive the said to such office where said dead or last will and testament of such office where said dead or last will and testament of such office.

Col. Streight and Seventeen others are Safe, FORT MONROE, Monday, Feb. 15, 1864. February 14, from Gen. Wistar, which states that Col. Streight with one hundred and ten other Union officers escaped from prison in Richmond, by digging a tunnel.

THE ESCAPE OF PRISONERS PROM

LIBBY PRISON.

Col. Streight with seventeen others are safe. "BENJAMIN F. BUYLER, Maj.-Gen. Commanding."

#### From Fortress Monroc.

FORTRESS MONBOE, Monday, Feb. 14, 1864. The steamer S. R. Spaulding arrived this ternoon from Beaufort, N. C., with about 50 Rebels into our hands during the recent raid about Newbern. All was quiet at Newbern when the steamer

Two Union officers, a captain and lieutenant, arrived to-day on the Yorktown mail-boat, having effected their escape from Libby prison. They report that about thirty prisoners, mostly officers, had escaped from the prison just before they left. As yet mone of them have been heard from.

#### The Vallandigham Case.

The case of Vallandigham, ex parte, was desided in the Supreme Court of the United States to-day. The petitioner asked that the writ of certiorari be directed to the Judge-Advocate-General for a revision of the proceedings of the Milliary Commission which tried him, the jurisdiction of which was denied as extending to the case of a civilian, the object being to have the

entence sumuiled on the ground of illegality. Judge-Advocate-General Holt had responded in a ritten argument that the Court might with as much probriety be called upon to restrain by injunction the roccedings of Congress, as to revise by certificant and everse the proceedings of the military authority in time of war, in the punishment of all military offenses according to the usuage of civilized nations and the power given by the Constitution and laws of the United States for the common defense and public safety.

Justice Wayne to-day delivered the opinion of the Court, refusing the writ, on the ground that, even if the arrest, trial, and punishment of Vallandigham were illegal, there was still no authority in the Court to grant relief in this mode, and that there is no law by which any appeal, or proceedings in the nature of an appeal, from a military commission to the Supreme Centi, eau

### The Prize Stenmer Ceres.

Wa-HINGTON, Monday, Feb. 15, 1864.
The prize steamer Ceres, captured off Willington some time since, has arrived at the Navy Yard The Iron-Clad Atlanta at Fort Mouroe.

FORTRESS MONROE, Monday, Feb. 15, 1864.
The iron-clad Atlanta, from Philadelphia arrived this morning.

#### A Card. To the Editor of The N. Y. Tribune.

Sin: You have an article in your paper of today on "The New-York Volunteer Engineers," in which you say "they built " . \* the butteries on the Sa-vannah River, which General Sherman called a feat of engineering never surpassed." My object in calling your justly-celebrated regiment, but to have justice done to others. I devised the plan for removing the obstructions to reach the Savannah, and superintended its execution. The command was composed of troops from the 7th Connecticut and N. Y. Engineer Regiments. The reconnoissance for these batteries was made General (then Captain) Gillmore and myssic, and by Lieut, P. H. O'Rourke (since killed while leading the

The plan for taking the guns across the The men who did the work belonged to the 48th New-York and 7th Connectiont Volunteers-the work being under the charge of Lieutenants Wilson, Porter, by Lieut. O'Rourke. The digging, &c., was done by the 48th New-York and 8th Maine Regiments. tended the work until we commenced operations on the Bird Island battery, after which the work was

#### The Proposed Amendment to the Sta Constitution.

ALBANY, Monday, Feb. 15, 1861 The Governor to-day signed the bill perfecting the amendment to the Constitution analysis the solders. This is, are

## Swindler Arrested.

Philander H. Perse, alias Pennington, alias Livingston, arrested for obtaining a large amount of wood from Elley & Co. by false pretoners, was before the Police Court to-day, and, in default of \$25,000 balls committed for trial. He has been identified as the person who, under the name of Livingston, committed some heavy swindling operations in Rhelmond, Va., about a year ago.

## The Chesapeake Case.

HALIMAN, N. S., Monday, Peb. 15, 1854.
In the Admiralty Court, to-day, Judge Stewart gave a final decision in the Chesapeuke case. The vessel and cargo are restored to their original owners.

# Arrival of the North American at Portland.

The steamship North American at Postland.

Pournase, Me., Monday, Feb. 15, 1865.

The steamship North American, from Livetpeol on the 28th via Londonderry on the 28th of January, arrived here at 4 o'clock this morning.

She passed through several fields of see on the 28th inst. in lat. 45° 26, long. 65° 20°.

Spoke on the lat inst. steamship Hibernian in lat. 55° 2°, long. 15° 41° and on the lath the steamship fara in lat 43° 2°, long. 65° 27°, both outward bound. Savings Rank Hobbed.

Bosros, Menday, Feb. 15, 1804. The Savings Bank at South Seituste was

The Savings Dath, at South Scituate was broken into between the hours of 2 and 4 o'clockyester-day morning, and the irea safe blown open and robbed of \$500 in oils of various denominations, some \$60 in counterfelt or worthless bank notes, three or four bank books belonging to as many individuals, several bonds and other papers, and three or four foreign sliver coins. A Fire in Cleveland. A fire in Cleveland.

Cheveland, Monday, Feb. 15, 1864.

A fire last night destroyed the dry-goods store of Mezzrs, J. M. & H. Howe, the loss being \$30,066. Insured in New-York, Albany, and Pethalephia. Meszrs, Whitlaw & Marshall, dealers in harness and leather, lose \$3,000, and Parker, the druggist, also loses \$5,000. Insured in the New-York and Albany Offices.

denoted may be recorded shall be need and sufficient evidence to prove such freedom, "and all insurantiston make to for an appropriation of \$100 for expenses of last of an appropriation of \$100 for expenses of last of an appropriation of \$100 for expenses of last of an appropriation of \$100 for expenses of last of an appropriation of \$100 for expenses of last of an appropriation of \$100 for expenses of last of an appropriation of \$100 for expenses of last of an appropriation of \$100 for expenses of last of Fourth of July. The petition was referred. The use of the Chamber of the Board was tendered to the missions, are hereby restined and evaluate and valuate and prohibition had not existed.

"Size, \$3. That may executer, administrator or guardian may execute in the unmore and form provided in the foregoing section, a dead of manufacion to of to reay size or slaves or slaves or slaves or slaves or slave or slaves and have been entitled in the military service of the United States, to the superior control of washington's Birth-Day; and disc exking for an appropriation of \$100 for appropriation of